

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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Art Unit: 1637

For: GENE PRODUCTS DIFFERENTIALLY  
EXPRESSED IN CANCEROUS CELLS AND  
THEIR METHODS OF USE II

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Examiner: A. M. Bertagna

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated December 23, 2008 (Paper No. 20081207), for which a response was due on March 23, 2009. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a 3-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to June 23, 2009. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.